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ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH

Ladakh Power Development Department

Notification
29th July 2026

S.O 233.- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 57 read with section 16 of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 (Central Act No. 52 of 2001), the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, is pleased to constitute a Fund, to be known as the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund, for the purpose of promotion of efficient use of energy and its conservation, and is further pleased to make the following rules, for administration of the said Fund so constituted, namely hereby makes the following rules, namely:

1. Short Title and Commencement

(i) These rules shall be known as “Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund Rules, 2026”.

(ii) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

(iii) These rules shall be applicable till the funds are available or Scheme withdrawn by Government of India/Administration of Union territory of Ladakh.

2. Definitions

(i) In these rules unless the context otherwise requires, -

a. “Act” means the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 (Central Act No. 52 of 2001).

b. “Administration” means Administration of Union territory of Ladakh

c. Fund means the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund, established under section 16 of the Energy Conservation Act 2001.

d. “Section” means the section of the Energy Conservation Act 2001.

e. “State Designated Agency” means agency as designated by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh vide order no. 49 LA(PDD)UTL of 2020, Dated 05.05.2020.

f. “Distribution wing PDD” means Distribution wing of Power Development Department which is designated as State Designated Agency by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh under the provision of clause (d) of section 15 of the Act.

g. “State Level Steering Committee” means committee constituted to administer the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund; and

h. “BEE” means Bureau of Energy Efficiency set up by Government of India on 1st March 2002 under the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001.

(ii) Words and expressions used and not defined in these rules but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

3. Constitution of Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund

(i) A fund shall be constituted, to be known as Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund, for the purpose of promotion of efficient use of Energy and its conservation within the Union territory of Ladakh.

(ii) The Fund constituted under these rules shall be of revolving nature and administered/operated by the State Designated Agency under the supervision of committee.

(iii) The proceeds of the fund shall be utilized for the purpose of promotion of efficient use of energy and its conservation within Union territory of Ladakh.

(iv) The Fund shall be credited by all grants and loans that may be made by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh or Central Government or given by any autonomous body /agency /company /individual for the purpose stated in these rules.

(v) The Fund shall be credited by the proceeds of any tax, levy or duty/cess imposed by Administration of Union territory of Ladakh for the purpose of energy conservation, if backed by the legislation.

(vi) The corpus of the fund shall be deposited by the State Designated Agency in the saving account of any Nationalized bank and operated by the Agency or as advised by the State Level Steering Committee.

4. Purpose for which the Funds shall be applied

The fund shall be utilized under the supervision of the State Level Steering Committee, for the following purposes:-

(i) to meet the expenditure incurred by the State Designated Agency to take all measures to create awareness and disseminate information for efficient use of energy and its conservation and for undertaking awareness program for consumers, industrial, and commercial sectors, educational institutions, farmers and others.

(ii) to finance implementation of energy efficiency projects in public buildings including Central Government, Administration of Union territory of Ladakh and Central or Administration of Union territory of Ladakh undertakings / agencies' buildings, energy efficiency street-lighting or common area lighting projects, energy efficiency projects in public drinking water pumping stations and in agricultural pumping etc.

(iii) to meet the expenditure incurred by the State Designated Agency for training of personnel and specialists for efficient use of energy and its conservation in Union territory of Ladakh.

(iv) for promotion of Research and Development in the field of Energy Conservation within the Union territory of Ladakh.

(v) to develop testing and certification procedure, in creation of testing facilities for certification verification and testing of energy consumption of equipments and appliances.

(vi) to formulate and facilitate implementation of Pilot and Demonstration Projects for promotion of efficient use of energy and its conservation or to provide matching contribution for such projects taken up by Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE).

(vii) to promote the use of energy efficient processes for the equipments, devices and systems.

(viii) to meet the matching grant to the centrally sponsored schemes and schemes of Bureau of Energy Efficiency implemented in the Union territory of Ladakh.

(ix) to provide subsidy for use of any energy efficient or energy conservation device or machinery notified by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh.

(x) to meet the expenses incurred by the State Designated Agency for implementing the provisions of the Act;

5. State Level Steering Committee

(i) The State Level Steering Committee, to administer the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund, shall consist of the following namely:

1	Chief Secretary, Union territory of Ladakh	Chairperson
2	Secretary (Power), Union territory of Ladakh	Member
3	Chief Engineer (PDD)/Head SDA	Member Secretary
4	Nominee of Finance Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member

5	Nominee of Industries and Commerce Department (not below the rank of Additional Secretary)	Member

(ii) The meeting of State Level Steering Committee shall be held at least once in every three months.

(iii) The State Level Steering Committee shall perform the following functions, namely:

a) to provide guidance and support to State Designated Agency for carrying out the energy conservation activities out of the Fund;

b) to approve the annual budget for carrying out the energy conservation activities by the State Designated Agency out of the Fund; and

c) to review and monitor the progress of activities carried out by State Designated Agency from the Fund.

6. Operation of the Fund

(i) The State Level Steering Committee shall approve the financial rules and procedures and delegation of powers to the State Designated Agency to administer the fund.

(ii) The State Designated Agency shall operate the fund under the guidance of State Level Steering Committee.

(iii) The State Designated Agency shall prepare the annual budget for activities to be funded from Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund before commencement of the Financial Year and get it approved by the State Level Steering Committee.

(iv) The State Designated Agency shall utilize the funds available in Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund as per the budget approved by the State Level Steering Committee in accordance with the financial rules, procedures and delegation of powers.

(v) The State Designated Agency shall maintain separate bank accounts for the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund and shall furnish the income and expenditure statement to the State Level Steering Committee regularly.

(vi) The funds credited to Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund shall be deposited in Personal Deposit Account or in saving and Term Deposit Account in any nationalized Bank or as may be advised by the State Level Steering Committee.

7. The State Designated Agency shall operate these accounts as per the rules and regulations and procedures applicable to other Public Deposit Accounts or as advised by the State Level Steering Committee. Audit of Accounts

(i) The accounts of the Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditors General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him.

(ii) The accounts of every financial year of Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund shall also be audited annually by an authorized Chartered Accountant.

8. Closure of Fund

(i) The funds shall remain operative so long as the relevant provision of the Act remains at force OR the scheme is withdrawn by Government of India/ Administration of Union territory of Ladakh.

(ii) At the time of closure of the Fund, all unspent balances of the fund shall be deposited in the account of Administration of Union territory of Ladakh within a period of 15 days of such closure.

9. Role of State Designated Agency (SDA)

The role of State Designated Agency:-

(i) To Act as State Designated Agency to coordinate, regulate and enforce the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act 2001 (Central Act No.52 of 2001).

(ii) to coordinate and liaise with the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Government of India and Departments of Administration of Union territory of Ladakh dealing with energy, all other stake holders from the fields of industry, planning, regulators, consumer affairs, civic/municipal bodies etc. in undertaking various activities to promote energy efficiency and energy conservation.

(iii) to take all measures to create awareness and disseminate information for efficient use of energy and its conservation through electronic, print, other media and through meetings/seminars.

(iv) to provide training, research and development facility for the planning and implementation of programmes for use of New & Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation announced by the concerned Ministry & Departments for the efficient use of personnel and other specialist.

(v) to create awareness about the Energy Conservation Act and promote/ motivate voluntary initiatives to promote energy conservation.

(vi) to provide training to staff / users / specialist in efficient use of energy resources and its conservation.

(vii) to prepare a State and Sectoral energy data base and provide feedback to designated consumers.

(viii) arrange interactive meets between energy managers, energy auditors and other experts.

(ix) launch and maintain state specific website addressing the voluntary and mandatory provisions of the Energy Conservation Act.

(x) to Co-operate and affiliate with other similar institutions, associations or bodies in lndia and aboard.

(xi) to take advice and help of scientist, technologist and such other person who have expertise in the field of non-conventional energy sector.

(xii) to accept, grants, contribution or financial assistance from Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, quasi Government or Private Institution, person or any other sources with a view to fulfill all or any of the above objectives.

(xiii) to coordinate with any other body or persons as may be as decided by the Steering Committee.

(xiv) to do all such other things as may be incidental or conductive to the attainment of the above objectives.

10. Role of DISCOMS

The State Electricity Distribution Licensees (DISCOMS) shall extend their support in implementation of provisions contained in Energy Conservation Act, 2001 and will make all efforts to educate consumers under their jurisdiction for opting Energy Efficiency and Energy Conservation measures in their areas and execute the schemes of State Designated Agency and Bureau of Energy Efficiency.

11. Monitoring of Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund

The schemes under Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund shall be monitored by State Designated Agency regularly. The Agency will submit a quarterly progress report to the Chairperson, Steering Committee, Ladakh Energy Conservation Fund and will work as per the direction of the committee. The Agency will also follow up with BEE for release of funds for any new scheme as and when published by Ministry of Power, Government of India through BEE.

12. Annual Report

The State Designated Agency as soon as possible after the end of financial year, but within the six months of closure of financial year shall submit to the chair of SLSC an annual report of the operations of the Designated Agency under this fund during the financial year ending 31st day of March and also indicating any new activities to be taken up by the State Designated Agency under the fund in the next financial year.

13. Amendment in Rules

These rules may be amended by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, in the recommendations of the State Level Steering Committee, as and when necessary.

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Hon'ble Lt Governor
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By order of Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Union territory of Ladakh

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